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foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents (International Search Report for PCT/JP2004/013241 dated February 8, 2005), together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. In addition, Applicants attach English language Abstracts for JP 53-82684, JP 54-6887 and JP 2004-83663.

Also, in compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants also submit partial translations of JP 53-82684 and JP 54-6887 and a complete machine translation of JP 2004-83663.

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